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IN THE HIGH COURT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
AT AMARAVATI **[3331]**
(Special Original Jurisdiction)

THURSDAY, THE 5th DAY OF NOVEMBER 2026

PRESENT

THE HONOURABLE SRI JUSTICE SUBBA REDDY SATTI

WRIT PETITION NO: 31301/2026

Between:

1. A SIVA KUMAR REDDY, S/O. LATE A. SUBRAMANYAM REDDY, AGED ABOUT 54 YEARS, OCC CULTIVATION, R/O. T.V. KANDRIGA VILLAGE, DAMARAPAKAM POST, NAGARI MANDAL, CHITTOOR DISTRICT, A.P-517591

...PETITIONER

AND

1. THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH, REPRESENTED BY ITS PRINCIPAL SECRETARY REVENUE DEPARTMENT, A.P.SECRETARIAT, AMARAVATHI, GUNTUR DISTRICT-522238
2. THE JOINT COLLECTOR, CHITTOOR DISTRICT AT CHITTOOR-517002
3. THE REVENUE DIVISIONAL OFFICER, NAGARI REVENUE DIVISION, CHITTOOR DISTRICT-517590
4. THE TAHSILDAR, NAGARI MANDAL, CHITTOOR DISTRICT-517590
5. MR VEERAPPA VISWANATHA REDDY, S/O. LATE V. DESAPPA REDDY, AGED ABOUT 61 YEARS R/O. T.V. KANDRIGA VILLAGE, NAGARI MANDAL, CHITTOOR DISTRICT-517591

...RESPONDENT(S):

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed therewith, the High Court may be pleased to issue a writ order or direction more particularly one in the nature of Writ of Mandamus declaring the action of the Respondent No.4 in mutating the name of the Respondent No.5 in the revenue records in respect of L.P.M. No. 1866 (Ac.0.595 cents) and L.P.M. No. 1867 (Ac.0.031 cents) in Sy. No. 17/3B of Damarapakam Village, Nagari Mandal, Chittoor District, without issuing any notice or opportunity of hearing to the petitioner and contrary to the order of the Respondent No.4 vide Rc. No. 7R/16/2025 dated 03.05.2025 rejecting the claim of the Respondent No.5 in respect of the said L.P.M. Nos. 1866 and 1867, as illegal, arbitrary, without jurisdiction, in violation of provisions of the Andhra Pradesh Rights in Land and Pattadar Pass Books Act, 1971 and Rules thereof and in violation of the principles of natural justice, besides violative of Articles 14, 21 and 300-A of the Constitution of India, and consequently set aside the said mutation together with all consequential entries made in the Webland records issued in favour of the Respondent No.5 in respect of the said L.P.M. Nos. 1866 and 1867, and direct the Respondents to forthwith restore the revenue records in respect of the said lands to the position that existed prior to the impugned mutation, i.e., in the name of Arunachalam Govinda Reddy and pass

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Petition under Section 151 CPC praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed in support of the petition, the High Court may be pleased suspend the operation of the impugned mutation of the name of the Respondent No.5 in the revenue records in respect of L.P.M. No. 1866 (Ac.0.595 cents) and L.P.M. No. 1867 (Ac.0.031 cents) in Sy. No. 17/3B of Damarapakam Village, Nagari Mandal, Chittoor District, and all consequential entries made in the Webland records, pending disposal of the above writ petition, and pass

Counsel for the Petitioner:

1. KANDERI CHETHAN

Counsel for the Respondent(S):

1. GP FOR REVENUE

The Court made the following order:

Heard Sri Kanderi Chethan, learned counsel for the petitioner and Sri Divya Theja, learned Assistant Government Pleader for Revenue, for respondents 1 to 4.

2. The above writ petition was filed to declare the action of respondent No.4 in mutating the name of respondent No.5 to the extent of Ac.0.595 cents and Ac.0.031 cents, in Survey No.17/3B covered by L.P.M. Nos. 1866 and 1867 respectively, of Damarapakam Village, Nagari Mandal, Chittoor District, without issuing any notice to the petitioner, as illegal and arbitrary.

3. The writ petition was filed on 26.10.2026 and listed on 29.10.2026.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner would submit that after filing the writ petition, the name of respondent No.5 was deleted and the name of the original owner, Arunachalam Govind Reddy, was restored in respect of the aforementioned land.

5. Due to the discrepancy, this Court directed respondent No.4-Tahsildar to appear and assist the Court in this regard.

6. Today Sri Ravi Kumar, learned Tahsildar, appeared and assisted the Court. He submitted that the son of respondent No.5, working as Computer Operator on outsourcing in the office of respondent No.3, committed the mischief. On noticing the same, the authority recommended initiating disciplinary action. Thereafter, the entries were restored in the name of the original owner. He submitted that the Revenue Divisional Officer addressed a letter vide Roc. No.C.386/2026, dated 28.10.2026 to the District Collector, Chittoor, for taking further action against the computer operator.

7. Given the submissions of learned counsel on either side as well as the learned Tahsildar, since the entries in RoR were restored, no further orders are required in this writ petition.

8. Hence, the writ petition is closed. The concerned authority shall ensure that no further change will be made in the Record of Rights without adhering to the procedure contemplated under the Andhra Pradesh Rights in Land and Pattadar Pass Books Act, 1971, and the Rules made thereunder. No costs.

As a sequel, pending miscellaneous petitions, if any, shall stand closed.

JUSTICE SUBBA REDDY SATTI

Date: 05.11.2026
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